410 IAC 1-2.5-146 Vibriosis; specific control measures

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Sec. 146. The specific control measures for vibriosis (non-cholera) (infectious agent: Vibrio species other than toxigenic Vibrio cholerae 01 or 0139, Grimontia hollisae (Vibrio hollisae), Photobacterium damselae (Vibrio damsela)) are as follows:

- (1) An investigation by the local health officer shall meet the following conditions:
 - (A) Be performed within seventy-two (72) hours.
 - (B) Include a three (3) week history of the following prior to symptom onset:
 - (i) Food and drink consumption.
 - (ii) Wounds.
 - (iii) Domestic and international travel.
 - (C) Every case should be investigated for an actual or probable source. The investigation shall focus on identifying the following:
 - (i) Unreported cases.
 - (ii) Carriers.
 - (iii) Contaminated:

food; (BB) water; (CC) milk; and (DD) shellfish.

- (D) If the case traveled three (3) weeks prior to onset, all members of travel groups in which a case has occurred shall be interviewed for probable source of infection and additional cases.
- (E) Determine if the case is part of an outbreak.
- (F) Determine if the case is a:
 - (i) food employee;
 - (ii) daycare worker;
 - (iii) health care worker; or
 - (iv) daycare attendee, a school attendee, or anyone who lives at a residential institution.
- (2) In addition to standard precautions, contact precautions are recommended for diapered or incontinent children. For all others, the following apply:
 - (A) Cases employed as food employees, daycare workers, health care workers, or in similar positions shall be excluded from employment involving food handling and direct care of children or hospitalized or institutionalized patients until all of the following have occurred:
 - (i) The local health officer has determined the case has been asymptomatic for at least twenty-four (24) hours.
 - (ii) The case has been counseled about preventive measures, such as hand washing procedures, that must be followed to prevent transmission of disease.
 - (iii) The local health officer has discussed the following topics with the employer:
 - (AA) The employer's duty to comply with local and state rules pertaining to prevention of infectious diseases.
 - (BB) The availability of required proper hand washing facilities for employees. (CC) The correction of any observed lapses in hygienic measures by employees.
 - (B) Cases shall be excluded from attending schools, preschools, and daycare facilities until all of the following have occurred:
 - (i) The local health officer has determined the case has been asymptomatic for at least twenty-four (24) hours.
 - (ii) The case or case's guardian has been counseled about preventive measures, such as hand washing procedures, that must be followed to prevent transmission of disease.
 - (iii) The local health officer has discussed with the appropriate school, preschool, or daycare facility staff the need:
 - (AA) for proper hand washing procedures and other infection control practices; and (BB) to comply with all local and state rules pertaining to prevention of infectious diseases.
 - (C) If an outbreak of the infection occurs in a daycare facility or preschool, the following may occur:
 - (i) All attendees and staff may be required to submit stool specimens for examination.
 - (ii) Instead of exclusion, attendees and staff may be isolated from other attendees and staff in the same facility based on symptoms, laboratory testing, and treatment. This alternative shall only be considered if the physical structure and staff organization of the facility can accommodate isolation of various attendee groups from one another. If this alternative is selected, increased emphasis

on hand washing procedures and environmental cleaning is necessary.

- (iii) Admission of all new attendees may be suspended while the outbreak continues.
- (3) Concurrent disinfection is required for feces and fecal contaminated articles. Feces may be disposed directly into a sanitary sewage system. Terminal cleaning is required.
- (4) Quarantine is not required.
- (5) Immunization is not available. Protection of contacts is not applicable.
- (6) The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists set the standard clinical and laboratory case definition.

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